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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and adjourned at 12:50 p.m., until 2 p.m., on Monday,

September 12, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$9891.)

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet at noon on Monday, September 12 in a pro forma session and at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2005 for morning hour debate.

## Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

#### **NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D877–878)

H.R. 3673, making further emergency supplemental appropriations to meet immediate needs arising from the consequences of Hurricane Katrina, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005. Signed on September 8, 2005. (Public Law 109–62)

#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 12 through September 17, 2005

#### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 3 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of H.R. 2862, Commerce/Justice/Science Appropriations. At 5:30 p.m., Senate will begin a period of morning business for one hour, and at approximately 6:30 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to proceed to S.J. Res. 20, Coal/Oil Direct Utility Units Rules.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to complete consideration of H.R. 2862, Commerce/Justice/Science Appropriations and consider any other cleared legislative and executive business, including any other appropriation bills, when available.

#### **Senate Committees**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Keith E. Gottfried, of California, to be General Counsel, Kim Kendrick, of the District of Columbia, Keith A. Nelson, of Texas, and Darlene F. Williams, of Texas, each to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Israel Hernandez, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, Darryl W. Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, Franklin L. Lavin, of Ohio, to be Under Secretary for International Trade, and David H. McCormick, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Export Administration, all of the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 14, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings to examine the impact of Hurricane Katrina on the aviation industry, focusing on jet fuel markets, airport infrastructure, and Hurricane Katrina's impact on the National Airspace System, 10 a.m., SD–562.

September 14, Subcommittee on Disaster Prevention and Prediction, to hold hearings to examine the prediction of Hurricane Katrina and the work of the National Hurricane Center, 2 p.m., SD–562.

Committee on Finance: September 13, Subcommittee on Social Security and Family Policy, to hold hearings to examine how the nonprofit sector meets the needs of American communities relating to charities on the frontline, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 13, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John R. Fisher, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, Juliet JoAnn McKenna, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, Colleen Duffy Kiko, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Mary M. Rose, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board, 10 a.m., SD–342.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine recovering from Hurricane Katrina, 10 a.m., SD–342.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Stewart A. Baker, of Virginia, and Julie L. Myers, of Kansas, each to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, 10:30 a.m., SD–342.

September 15, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold oversight hearings to examine housing-related programs for the poor, focusing on existing challenges in measuring improper rent subsidy payments in housing assistance programs at HUD, as well as Federal oversight of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 12, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be Chief Justice of the United States, 12 noon, SR-325.

September 13, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be Chief Justice of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

September 14, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be Chief Justice of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

September 15, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be Chief Justice of the United States, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: September 15, business meeting to mark up pending VA health-related proposals, 10 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 14, to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 10:30 a.m., SH–219.

September 15, Full Committee, closed business meeting to mark up intelligence authorization for fiscal year 2006, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

#### **House Committees**

Committee on Agriculture, September 15, hearing to review Canada and Australia's experience with implementing national animal identification systems, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, September 14, Sub-committee on Science, The Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, hearing on FBI Transformation Efforts, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, September 14, hearing on the Quadrennial Defense Review: Goals and Principles, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, September 14, Sub-committee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled "Hurricane Katrina: The Financial Institutions' Response," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "Emergency Housing Needs in the Aftermath of Hurricane Katrina," 10 a. m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, September 13, Subcommittee on Federalism and the Census, hearing entitled "Brownfields and the Fifty States: Are State Incentive Programs Capable of Solving America's Brownfields Problem?" 10 a.m., 2203 Rayburn.

September 13, Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations, hearing entitled "Combating Terrorism: Visas Still Vulnerable," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 14, full Committee, to consider pending business, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled "Meeting America's Natural Gas Demand: Are We in a Crisis?" 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 15, full Committee, hearing entitled "Back to the Drawing Board: A First Look at Lessons Learned from Katrina," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, September 15, Sub-committee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack, hearing entitled "Biological Weapon Threat Assessment," 1 p.m., room to be announced.

Committee on International Relations, September 13, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, hearing entitled "Protecting Street Children: Vigilantes or the Rule of Law?" 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 14, full Committee, to mark up the following measures: H. Res. 375, Requesting the President and directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all information in the possession of the President and the Secretary of State relating to communication with officials of the United Kingdom between January 1, 2002, and October 16, 2002, relating to the policy of the United States with respect to Iraq; H. Res. 408, Requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Defense to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all documents in the possession of the President and the Secretary of Defense relating to communications with officials of the United Kingdom relating to the policy of the United States with respect to Iraq; and H. Res. 419, Directing the Secretary of State to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution documents in the possession of the Secretary of State relating to the disclosure of the identity and employment of Ms. Valerie Plame, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Europe and Emerging Threats, hearing on U.S. Foreign Aid Programs to Europe, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 15, full Committee, to mark up pending business, 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Broadcasting Board of Governors and the Middle East Broadcasting Network, 1:30 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 15, Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight

hearing on Sources and Methods of Foreign Nationals Engaged in Economic and Military Espionage, time to be announced, 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, September 13, to consider H.R. 3132, Children's Safety Act of 2005, 5:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, September 14, hearing on NOAA Hurricane Forecasting, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

September 15, hearing on Cybersecurity: How Can the Government Help Address Vulnerabilities in Critical Industries? 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, September 15, Sub-committee on Rural Enterprise, Agriculture and Technology, hearing entitled "The Need for Improvements

and More Incentives in the Endangered Species Act," 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, September 14, oversight hearing regarding the Department of Veterans Affairs information technology infrastructure reorganization, and proposed legislation to enhance the role of the Chief Information Officer, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

#### Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: September 14, to hold hearings to examine the impact of Romania's newly implemented ban on inter-country adoptions, 10 a.m., 2237 RHOB.